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Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" On what principle are political workers selected whose movements are shadowed ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :— " I have already said that all political workers are not shadowed but only those who, the police think, are likely to break the law."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" What is meant by shadowing ? They don't shadow murderers. "

Investigation of the Mannadi murder case.

* 1974 Q.—Mr. C. S. GOVINDARAJA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state with reference to answer to question No. 881, dated 29th November 1928—

(a) why the Government have not employed a special imported detective staff for the investigation of the Mannadi murder case ;

(b) whether the police officers in charge of the division at the time of the murder still continue to be there ;

(c) whether any explanation has been obtained from the said police officers as to their inability to detect the crime and if not, why not ;

(d) whether the Commissioner of Police took any, and if so, what steps for detecting the crime ; and if no steps were taken, the reasons therefor ;

(e) why the police asked the Magistrate to let off on bail Rajammal, the sister-in-law of the murdered lad, and whose clothes were found blood-stained ; and

(f) whether the hon. Member will lay on the table of the House the first information report and the latest investigation report ?

A.—(a) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to clause (c) of question No. 881.

(b) The Government have no information but have called for it.

(c) The Government see no reason to adopt such a course.

(d) The Commissioner has taken all the steps necessary for the detection of the crime.

(e) & (f) The Government have called for the information and the reports required.

Expenditure on the Simon Commission's visit to Madras.

* 1975 Q.—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) what is the total expenditure incurred on account of police arrangements made in Madras on the occasion of the present visit of the Simon Commission to Madras ; and

(b) what is the amount of other expenditure incurred by this Government in connexion with the said visit of the Simon Commission ?

A.—(a) So far as is known at present the expenditure is about Rs. 27,600.

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(b) The exact figures are not known yet. So far, exclusive of police expenditure, there are only two items of importance :—

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(i) Rent of a part of Freemasons Hall used by the Madras Provincial Committee	200
(ii) Reception arrangements at the Harbour ...	619

The Government have asked the Inspector-General of Police to report the actual expenditure incurred on police arrangements in the mufassal.

Issue of section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, against Mr. Kuppuswami and others.

*1976 Q.—Mr. C. VENKATARANGAM NAYUDU : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that orders under section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, have been passed by the respective district and other magistrates on the following persons during the last four months in the places mentioned against each :—

(1) P. Kuppuswami Mudaliyar—Vellore, Arni, Tiruppattur, Gudiyattam,
(2) Annamalai Pillai—Tiruvannamalai,
(3) Srinivasa Barathi of Kumbakonam—Wandiwash, Cheyyar taluk,
(4) Srinivasa Varadan of Madura—Wandiwash, Cheyyar, Tiruvannamalai and Tirukkoyilur,
(5) P. V. Hanumantha Rao—Wandiwash, Cheyyar, Tiruvannamalai and Tirukkoyilur,
(6) K. R. Jamathagni of Kadaperi—Arni,
(7) Akkor Anantha Chariyar—Arni division,
(8) W. Srinivasa Rao—Arni,
(9) Swami Shanmuganandam—Vellore ;

(b) whether the Government propose to take any action in the matter ; and

(c) if not, why not ?

A.—(a) Orders under section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, were served on Nos. (3), (5) and (9) at Wandiwash, Tiruvannamalai and Vellore, respectively ; the Government have no information about any such orders served on the other persons mentioned.

(b) & (c) It is not the policy of Government to interfere with the exercise by magistrates of the discretion vested in them by law.

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Part taken by the Indian Members of the Cabinet in the recent Self-Respect Conference.

*1977 Q.—Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that five Indian Members of the Government, including the Members of the Executive Council and the Ministers, took part